

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: BENC, KS  
SUBJECT: MAJOR PROJECT: SEOUL SECOND SUBWAY CONSTRUCTION

REF: SEOUL 6458

TO: J. DE PALMA  
GRS INTERNATIONAL  
DIV. OF GENERAL RAILWAY SIGNAL CO.  
P.O. BOX 600  
ROCHESTER, N.Y. 14602  
(CABLE: GEN RASIG) (TELEX: 978317)

REF: YOUR TELECON WITH THOMAS STAVE, AUG 3.

1. INVITATION TO BID ISSUED AUGUST 1, 1978 BY OSROK WITH DEADLINE OF AUGUST 30, 1978, FOR SECOND SEOUL SUBWAY SUBSTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. UNDERSTAND THAT MR. LEE SUN SHIK PURCHASED COPY FOR (\$15.00) WHICH HE WILL AIRMAIL TO YOU. ALTHOUGH SPECIFICATIONS ARE APPARENTLY WRITTEN TO U.S. STANDARD EQUIPMENT, PROBLEM ARISES IN GETTING BULKY DOCUMENT TO ROCHESTER TO ASSURE YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT TIME TO PREPARE A RESPONSE.

2. RECOMMEND YOU CONTACT OSROK IN NEW YORK CITY TO DETERMINE WHETHER COPIES OF IFB HAVE ARRIVED THERE. HOWEVER THEY  
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USUALLY TAKE 10 DAYS TO REACH N.Y. ANOTHER POSSIBILITY IS TO IDENTIFY A COURIER SERVICE WHICH CAN SERVICE ROCHESTER FROM SEOUL AND TO TELEX MR. LEE TO PAY FOR COPY TO BE SENT IN THAT MANNER. YOU MIGHT RETURN YOUR BID IN SAME WAY. EMBASSY NOTES THAT ONE SUCH SERVICE (DHL INTERNATIONAL, LTD.) OFFERS ONE DAY DELIVERY OF DOCUMENTS TO NEW YORK CITY AT \$7.70 PER 500 GRAMS. HOWEVER, IT DOES NOT APPEAR TO SERVICE

ROCHESTER.

3. YOUR SECOND QUESTION, I.E. WHICH COMPANIES FURNISHED  
EXISTING EQUIPMENT, DOES NOT REPEAT NOT APPEAR RELEVANT  
BECAUSE THE SECOND SUBWAY WILL BE MUTUALLY INDEDPENDENT  
SYSTEMS. FIRST SUBWAY EQUIPMENT IS OF LOWER QUALITY JAPANESE  
MANUFACTURER SUPPLIED UNDER CONCESSIONAL LOAN. SEOUL METRO  
GOVERNMENT WISHES TO OBTAIN QUALITY EQUIPMENT OF THE KIND  
PRODUCED IN THE U.S. FOR THE SECOND LINE.  
GLEYSTEN

NOTE BY OC/T: PASSED ABOVE ADDRESSEE.

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